

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

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For: 2-PHENYL PYRIMIDINES WHICH ARE  
TUBULIN INHIBITORS (AS AMENDED)

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Art Unit: 1624

Examiner: Douglas M. Willis

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE --**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1624**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office action herein, mailed 20 December 2010, time for response to which was set to expire 20 March 2011. This response is filed within two months of the mailing date of the final rejection, and thus expedited processing is requested.

In addition, an Advisory Action in this case was mailed 31 January 2011 and the present Response takes account of the Advisory Action and telephonic interviews kindly granted by Examiner Willis to clarify what was needed to respond.

In the Advisory Action, the allowance of claims 10-12, 14, 21-23, 26, 29 and 30 was confirmed. Only claims 24 and 27 were rejected. (The Final Rejection objected to claims 25 and 28 only because they were dependent on claim 24.) The following amendment is proposed in

accordance with the discussion at the interview. The Advisory Action further noted that the proposed amendment, which merely changed the claim dependency of claims 15, 18 and 20 (which were withdrawn from consideration) would be entered. The present submission assumes that this was indeed entered.